

Timeline for DEP Deliverables – Pilgrim Station NPDES Thermal Conditions

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1. December 31, 2012 - Determine if existing thermal conditions are based on 316(a) variance or water quality.
2. December 31, 2012 – Determine what the facility is seeking for thermal limits in renewal.
3. January 6, 2013 – Attend meeting with EPA to make determination of thermal permitting direction (i.e., 316(a) variance or water quality). Discuss framework of thermal limits (maximum temperature, delta T, heat load, other).
4. January 31, 2013 - Collect existing, relevant biological data related to thermal impacts.
5. January 31, 2013 - Submit bibliography to EPA along with any new documents for administrative record.
6. February 28, 2013 – Update bibliography and submit new documents for administrative record.
7. March 31, 2013 – If limits based on existing 316(a) variance, make and submit preliminary determination of “appreciable harm.”
8. March 31, 2013 – If limits based on water quality, make and submit preliminary determination of mixing zone thermal limits.
9. March 31, 2013 - Update bibliography and submit new documents for administrative record.
10. April 30, 2013 – If determination is no “appreciable harm” submit draft permit limits and draft fact sheet justification for renewal of variance.
11. April 30, 2013 – If determination is “appreciable harm” submit draft permit limits and draft fact sheet justification for thermal limits (water quality or modified 316(a) variance).
12. June 30, 2013 – Submit draft final thermal limits (incorporate EPA comments on DEP determination into draft permit and fact sheet language).
13. June 30, 2013 - Update bibliography and submit new documents for administrative record.